

Appl. No. 10/579,300
Amdt. dated March 19, 2010
Reply to Office Action of November 19, 2009

REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the indication of the allowability of dependent claims 2-4. These claims were objected to as depending from rejected claim 1. In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, claims 2 and 4 have been amended to place them in independent form incorporating the limitations of claim 1. Allowable claim 3 depends from claim 2. Accordingly, the objection of claims 2-4 has been overcome and these claims are now in a condition for allowance.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,502,303 to Wasemann. Claim 1 has been canceled by amendment herein, thereby rendering the rejection moot.

In consideration of the foregoing analysis, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. AEG-40434.

Respectfully submitted,

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